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PATENT APPLICATION

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For: METHOD OF PREPARING AN
OPTICAL POLYMERIZATE

PPG Case: 1555P1

RESPONSE

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Sir:

Applicants have carefully reviewed the Office Action dated September 18, 2002, related to the above-mentioned patent application, and request consideration of the following remarks.

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated September 18, 2002, the Examiner has required election of a single species under 35 U.S.C. 121 for the polythiol, the polyisocyanate, and the polyamine of the present invention. In regards to the polythiol, Applicants elect 2,2'-thiodiethanethiol (DMDS); support for which can be found on page 5, lines 23-24, of the specification. For the polyisocyanate, Applicants elect $\alpha, \alpha, \alpha'; \alpha'$ -tetramethylxylene diisocyanate (TMXDI); support for which can be found on page 10, lines 20-22, and page 27, lines 26-27, of the specification. For the polyamine, Applicants elect

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diethyltoluenediamine (DETDA); support for which can be found on page 27, lines 31-32, of the specification.

Applicants submit that Claims 1-119 are in condition for allowance and thus, Applicants respectfully request examination of these claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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